

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

VIZIO, INC., LG ELECTRONICS, INC., and
LG ELECTRONICS U.S.A., INC.,¹
Petitioner,

v.

MULTIMEDIA TECHNOLOGIES PTE. LTD.,
Patent Owner.

IPR2024-00723
Patent 9,578,384 B2

Before ST. JOHN COURTENAY III and SHARON FENICK,
Administrative Patent Judges.

FENICK, *Administrative Patent Judge.*

ORDER

*Conditionally Granting Patent Owner's Motion for
Pro Hac Vice Admission of Timothy Gilman
37 C.F.R. § 42.10*

¹ LG Electronics, Inc. and LG Electronics U.S.A., Inc., which filed a petition in IPR2025-00300, have been joined as a petitioner in this proceeding.

Patent Owner filed a Motion for *pro hac vice* admission of Timothy Gilman (Paper 29) in the above-captioned proceeding. Patent Owner submitted a Declaration of Timothy Gilman (Ex. 2005) in support of the Motion. Patent Owner states Petitioner does not oppose this Motion. Paper 29, 1.

For the reasons provided below, Patent Owner's Motion is *conditionally granted*.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c)(1), the Board may recognize counsel *pro hac vice* during a proceeding upon a showing of good cause, subject to the condition that lead counsel be a registered practitioner. In authorizing a motion for *pro hac vice* admission, the Board requires the moving party to provide a statement of facts showing there is good cause for the Board to recognize counsel *pro hac vice* and an affidavit or declaration of the individual seeking to appear in the proceeding. *See Unified Patents, Inc. v. Parallel Iron, LLC*, IPR2013-00639, Paper 7 (PTAB Oct. 15, 2013) (representative "Order – Authorizing Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission").

Based on the facts set forth in the Motion and the accompanying Declaration, we conclude that Mr. Gilman has sufficient legal and technical qualifications to represent Patent Owner in this proceeding and has demonstrated sufficient litigation experience and familiarity with the subject matter of this proceeding. *See* Ex. 2005 ¶¶ 1–7, 10.

Accordingly, Patent Owner has established good cause for *pro hac vice* admission of Mr. Gilman. Mr. Gilman will be permitted to serve as back-up counsel only. *See* 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(c)(1).

We note that Patent Owner did not file a Power of Attorney including Mr. Gilman in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b). Patent Owner has also not filed Mandatory Notices identifying Mr. Gilman as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3).

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that Patent Owner's Motion for *pro hac vice* admission of Mr. Gilman is *conditionally granted*, provided that within ten (10) business days of the date of this Order, Patent Owner must submit a Power of Attorney for Mr. Gilman in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.10(b);

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner must file updated mandatory notices identifying Mr. Gilman as back-up counsel in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 42.8(b)(3);

FURTHER ORDERED that Patent Owner continue to have a registered practitioner represent it as lead counsel in this proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Gilman is authorized to act as back-up counsel only in this proceeding;

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Gilman be familiar with the Patent Trial and Appeal Board Consolidated Trial Practice Guide (84 Fed. Reg. 64,280 (Nov. 21, 2019))² and comply with the Board's Rules of Practice for Trials as set forth in Part 42 of Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations; and

FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Gilman is subject to the Office's disciplinary jurisdiction under 37 C.F.R. § 11.19(a), and the USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 11.101 *et seq.*

² Available at <https://www.uspto.gov/TrialPracticeGuideConsolidated>.

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